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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W. Room 704
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company
Leveraged Lease Locomotive Financing
BNSF 1998-A

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am enclosing for recording pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code, two original copies of each of the primary documents and the secondary documents described below. As one of the attorneys representing the Lessee in this transaction, I have knowledge of the matters described in this letter.

The primary documents are as follows:

Primary → (1) Memorandum of Lease Agreement (BNSF 1998-A), dated January 29, 1998, between JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd., as lessor (the "Lessor"), and The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, as lessee (the "Lessee"); and

A → (2) Memorandum of Mortgage and Security Agreement (BNSF 1998-A), dated January 29, 1998, between the Lessor, as borrower (the "Borrower") and First Security Bank, National Association, as security trustee (the "Security Trustee").

The secondary documents are as follows:

B → (1) Memorandum of Lease Supplement No. 1 (BNSF 1998-A), dated January 29, 1998, between the Lessee and the Lessor;

C → (2) Memorandum of Mortgage Supplement No. 1 (BNSF 1998-A), dated January 29, 1998, between the Lessor, as Borrower, and the Security Trustee; and

~~(3) Memorandum of Dollar Account Pledge Agreement (BNSF 1998-A), dated January 29, 1998 between Export Development Corporation ("EDC"), as agent (the "Agent"), and the Lessor, as Borrower.~~

The primary documents to which Memorandum of Lease Supplement No. 1 (BNSF 1998-A) and Memorandum of Mortgage Supplement No. 1 (BNSF 1998-A) are connected are the Memorandum of Lease Agreement (BNSF 1998-A) and the Memorandum

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of Mortgage and Security Agreement (BNSF 1998-A), respectively, referred to above, which are being submitted for recording concurrently therewith.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed documents are as follows:

Primary → MEMORANDUM OF LEASE AGREEMENT

Lessee: The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company
2650 Lou Menk Drive
Second Floor
Fort Worth, Texas 76131-2830

Lessor: JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd.
12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo, Japan

A → MEMORANDUM OF MORTGAGE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT

Borrower: JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd.
12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo, Japan

Security Trustee: First Security Bank, National Association,
as Security Trustee
Corporate Trust Department
79 South Main Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

B → MEMORANDUM OF LEASE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1

Lessee: The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company
2650 Lou Menk Drive
Second Floor
Fort Worth, Texas 76131-2830

Lessor: JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd.
12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo, Japan

C → MEMORANDUM OF MORTGAGE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1

Borrower: JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd.
12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo, Japan

Security Trustee: First Security Bank, National Association,

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as Security Trustee
Corporate Trust Department
79 South Main Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

MEMORANDUM OF ~~DOLLAR ACCOUNT PLEDGE AGREEMENT~~

Borrower: ~~JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd.
12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo, Japan~~

Agent: ~~Export Development Corporation
151 O'Connor
Ottawa, Canada K1A 1K3~~

The description of the equipment covered as of the date hereof by the aforesaid Memorandum of Lease Agreement, Memorandum of Mortgage and Security Agreement, Memorandum of Lease Supplement No. 1 and the Memorandum of Mortgage Supplement No. 1 is as set forth on Exhibit A hereto.

A fee of one hundred twenty dollars (\$120.00) is enclosed. Please time and date stamp the enclosed copies of each of the enclosed documents along with the extra copy of this letter as proof of filing and recordation of the enclosed documents and return the original and any extra copies of such documents and this letter not needed by the Board for recordation to:

Karl T. Williams, Esq.
Chapman and Cutler
111 West Monroe
Chicago, Illinois 60603

A short summary of each of the documents to appear in the index follows:

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A → (2) MEMORANDUM OF MORTGAGE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT:

Memorandum of Mortgage and Security Agreement (BNSF 1998-A) between JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd., as Borrower, 12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku,

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Tokyo, Japan, and First Security Bank, National Association, as Security Trustee, Attention: Corporate Trust Department, 79 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, dated January 29, 1998, covering the obligations of the Borrower and the Lessee relating to diesel electric locomotives bearing the road numbers listed in the exhibit attached thereto.

B → (3) MEMORANDUM OF LEASE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1:

Memorandum of Lease Supplement No. 1 (BNSF 1998-A) between JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd., as Lessor, 12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan, and The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, as Lessee, 2650 Lou Menk Drive, Second Floor, Fort Worth, Texas 76131-2830, dated January 29, 1998, covering diesel electric locomotives bearing the road numbers listed in the exhibit attached thereto. Memorandum of Lease Supplement No. 1 is related to the Memorandum of Lease Agreement between the Lessor and the Lessee, dated January 29, 1998, which is filed concurrently herewith.

C (4) MEMORANDUM OF MORTGAGE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1:

Memorandum of Mortgage Supplement No. 1 (BNSF 1998-A) between JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd., as Borrower, 12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan, and First Security Bank, National Association, as Security Trustee, Attention: Corporate Trust Department, 79 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, dated January 29, 1998, covering the obligations of the Borrower and the Lessee relating to diesel electric locomotives bearing road numbers listed in the exhibit attached thereto. The Memorandum of Mortgage Supplement No. 1 is related to the Memorandum of Mortgage and Security Agreement between the Borrower and the Security Trustee, dated January 29, 1998, which is filed concurrently herewith.

(5) MEMORANDUM OF ~~DOLLAR ACCOUNT PLEDGE AGREEMENT:~~

Memorandum of Dollar Account Pledge Agreement (BNSF 1998-A) between Export Development Corporation, as Agent, 151 O'Connor, Ottawa, Canada K1A 1K3 and JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd., as Borrower, 12-1 Yurakucho 1-chome, chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan, dated as of January 29, 1998, relating to the grant by Borrower to Agent of a security interest in Borrower's right, title and interest in and to the Dollar Account.

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If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (312) 845-3892.

Sincerely,

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By Karl T. Williams
Karl T. Williams

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Enclosures

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EXHIBIT A

UNITS

EQUIPMENT	QUANTITY	ROAD NUMBERS
General Electric Company Dash 9-44CW Diesel Electric Locomotives	25	BNSF 4720 through BNSF 4744, inclusive

MEMORANDUM OF LEASE AGREEMENT
(BNSF 1998-A)

JAN 28 '98

11-25 AM

Memorandum of Lease Agreement, made and entered into on January 29, 1998 by and between JL Aurora Lease Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation ("*Lessor*"), and The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, a Delaware corporation ("*Lessee*").

WITNESSETH:

The undersigned have entered into that certain Lease Agreement (BNSF 1998-A), dated January 9, 1998, whereby the Lessor has agreed to lease to the Lessee and the Lessee has agreed to lease from the Lessor certain locomotives bearing road numbers as listed on Exhibit A attached hereto, subject to the term defined in said Lease Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this memorandum to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized as of the date and year first above written.

JL AURORA LEASE CO., LTD.

By 

Name: Chiaki Kojima

Title: Attorney in Fact

Executed on this 21 day of January, 1998.THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE
RAILWAY COMPANY

By _____

Name: Paul J. Weyandt

Title: Assistant Vice President - Finance and
Assistant Treasurer

Executed on this ____ day of January, 1998.

**MEMORANDUM OF LEASE AGREEMENT
(BNSF 1998-A)**

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JL AURORA LEASE CO., LTD.

By _____
Name:
Title:

Executed on this ____ day of January, 1998.

THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE
RAILWAY COMPANY


By Paul J. Weyandt
Name: Paul J. Weyandt
Title: Assistant Vice President - Finance and
Assistant Treasurer

Executed on this 23rd day of January, 1998.

STATE OF New York)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF New York

On this, the 21 day of January, 1998, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Chiaki Kojima, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the ~~Attorney in Fact~~ of JL AURORA LEASE CO., LTD., that said instrument was signed on January 21, 1998 on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.


Name: _____
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____
Residing in _____
JOAN SANFILIPPO
Notary Public State of New York
No. 24-4652978
Cert. Filed in New York County
Commission Expires 1/31/2000

STATE OF _____)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF _____)

On this, the _____ day of January, 1998, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Paul J. Weyandt, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Assistant Vice President - Finance and Assistant Treasurer of THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY, that said instrument was signed on January __, 1998 on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Name: _____
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____
Residing in _____

STATE OF _____)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF _____)

On this, the ___ day of January, 1998, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared _____, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the _____ of JL AURORA LEASE CO., LTD., that said instrument was signed on January __, 1998 on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and she acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Name:
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in _____

STATE OF Illinois)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF Cook)

On this, the 23rd day of January, 1998, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Paul J. Weyandt, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Assistant Vice President - Finance and Assistant Treasurer of THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY, that said instrument was signed on January 23, 1998 on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.



Dorothy V. Schaetzle
Name:
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 11/20/00
Residing in Lake In The Hills

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